



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Savicki

Art Unit: 3677

Application No. 09/979,525

Examiner: James R Brittain

Filed: November 21, 2001

For: CLOSURE DEVICE

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 27, 2004, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR 1.10

I hereby certify that this Response to Office Action and all accompanying documents are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on June 17, 2004, in an envelope as "EXPRESS MAIL POST OFFICE TO ADDRESSEE" service under 37 CFR 1.10, Mailing Label Number EV 419248798 US, addressed to: Mail Stop , Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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REMARKS

The Office Action indicated that a "complete listing of all of the claims is not present" and "Canceled claims should be mentioned".

Applicants have added to the listing of the claims the following "Claims 1-67. (Canceled)". Applicants have repeated the list of claims again including the canceled claims.

Conclusion

The application is considered in good and proper form for allowance, and the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass this application to issue. If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

Small entity status is claimed for this application under 37 CFR 1.27.

Petition for an extension of time for the period noted below, as well as for any additional period necessary to render the present submission timely. Please charge Deposit Account No. 12-1216 for the appropriate petition fee.

Other:

Please charge Deposit Account No. 12-1216 in the total amount indicated below. A duplicate copy of this transmittal sheet is enclosed herewith.

					SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY	
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CLAIM FEE	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	Addit. Claim Fee	RATE	Addit. Claim Fee
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FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE CLAIM					+ 145=	\$	+ 290=	\$
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 12-1216.

Any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.

Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

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Amendment or ROA Transmittal (Revised 10/1/03)

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